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SUBJECT: MINISTER KUMAGAI, DIRECTOR GENERAL, SCIENCE &
TECHNOLOGY AGENCY, TO VISIT U.S.

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1. ON AUGUST 25, TOSHIO SUGAWARA, DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS DIVISION, PROMOTION BUREAU, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AGENCY (STA) CALLED IN EMBOFF TO PGOVIDE SGQEDULE FOR MINISTER KUMAGAI'S VISIT TO THE U.S. KUMAGAI WILL ARRIVE IN WASHINGTON APPROXIMATELY 2000 HRS. THE EVENING OF SEPTEMBER 6 FROM CANADA. KUMAGAI PLANS TO MEET WITH AMB. SMITH ON THE AFTERNOON OF SEPTEMBER 7. KUMAGAI HAS 1100 HRS. APPOINTMENT AND LUNCHEON ARRANGEMENT AT NASA ON SEPTEMBER 8. THE MINISTER DEPARTS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 AT 1000 HRS. FOR SAN DIEGO AND CALLS ON GENERAL ATOMIC CO. KUMAGAI DEPARTS SAN DIEGO FOR HONOLULU AND
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RETURN TO JAPAN ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13.

2. SUGAWARA ASKED FOR
ASSISTANCE IN SECURING APPOINTMENT WITH DOE SECRETARY SCHLESINGER, SINCE THIS IS THE ONLY APPOINTMENT THAT HAS NOT YET BEEN CONFIRMED. MINISTER KUMAGAI WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR A BRIEF MEETING (PERHAPS AS SHORT AS 30

MINUTES) ANY TIME BEFORE 1200 HRS ON SEPTEMBER 7 OR LATE-AFTERNOON ON SEPTEMBER 8. ACCORDING TO STA, MINISTER KUMAGAI WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING THREE TOPICS WITH SECRETARY SCHLESINGER:

A - U.S./JAPANESE COOPERATION IN SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY, PARTICULARLY IN THE FIELD OF ENERGY.

B - GENERAL BACKGROUND AND STATUS OF INFCE.

C - JAPANESE PARTICIPATION IN NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION INITIATIVES.

STA INFORMED EMBOFF IN CONFIDENCE THAT THEY HAD BEEN ADVISED THAT SECRETARY SCHLESINGER WOULD BE IN SAN DIEGO ON SEPTEMBER 11 AND 12, AND THAT MINISTER KUMAGAI WOULD BE GLAD TO MEET WITH THE SECRETARY AT THAT TIME, IF OTHER ARRANGEMENTS COULD NOT BE MADE.

3. MINISTER KUMAGAI HAS REQUESTED A MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR MANSFIELD PRIOR TO THE FORMER'S DEPARTURE FOR CANADA ON SEPTEMBER 3.

4. BEGIN LOU AND FYI. FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS TOLD US THAT ITS EMBASSY'S OFFICIAL REQUEST TO DOE FOR APPOINTMENT WITH SECRETARY WAS TURNED DOWN, AND THAT IF WE WERE TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN OBTAINING APPOINTMENT, GOJ MBASSY WOULD LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SUFFER CONSIDERABLE EMBARRASSMENT. IN FACT, WE ARE NOT RECOMMENDING THAT DR. SCHLESINGER SEE MR. KUMAGAI, BUT ONLY REPORTING ON DEMARCHE MADE BY STA. SOME FACE-SAVING IS INVOLVED HERE, SINCE JAPANESE PRESS ALREADY HAS REPORTED THAT KUMAGAI WILL BE CALLING ON SECRETARY. IS THERE ANY POSSIBILITY THAT DOE COULD ARRANGE FOR UNDER SECRETARY OR APPROPRIATE ASSISTANT SECRETARY (I.E. DEUTCH OR THORNE) TO SEE THE MINISTER? MANSFIELD

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